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Re Minneapolis letter to the Bureau dated 11/21/63.

On 12/13/63, CARLOS ZARRAGA, 2954 Southwest 16th Terrace, Miami, Florida, advised that he is the head of military action for the anti-CASTRO organization known as JUNTA REVOLUCIONARIA CUBANA (JURE). This organization is governed by an Executive Board, consisting of five members. Three of the members are in Puerto Rico and two are in the United States. One of the members on this Board is MANUEL RAY.

ZARRAGA advised that after the overthrow of the BATISTA Government on 1/1/59, RAY was appointed Minister of Public Works in Cuba. He started conspiring against the FIDEL CASTRO Government in Cuba, became an underground leader, and was the last important underground leader to leave Cuba. This was in about 1960. When RAY arrived in the United States he was one of the leading factors in the MOVIMIENTO REVOLUCIONARIO DEL PUEBLO (MRP). RAY became a highly controversial figure and is generally considered a leftist or a communist by the majority of Cuban exiles in Miami. RAY was expelled from the MRP. RAY continues to reside in San Juan, Puerto Rico, is a Civil Engineer, and is employed by the Puerto Rican Government. He started a new political organization, JURE, and this organization is rapidly rising in significance and importance. Cuban exiles claim that RAY has a strong support of Governor MUNOS MARIN of Puerto Rico and is favorably considered by the State Department. RAY has always received a considerable amount of favorable publicity out of proportion to the importance of his group in the Cuban exile

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